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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98**

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Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of an Office Action in a corresponding foreign (Chinese) patent application, as well as a document cited in the enclosed Office Action. Also enclosed is an English translation of the text of the enclosed Office Action, together with an English translation of the cited reference. Still further enclosed is a Form PTO/SB/08A and B, listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application, but prior to a Final Office Action or issuance of a Notice of Allowance, or issuance of any other action closing prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. For satisfying requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(c), the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

While the enclosed Office Action and document cited therein are not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are

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In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with the present submission of the enclosed documents. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed documents, upon further examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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